

THE CLAIMS DEFINING THE INVENTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

1. An apparatus for controlled rate dispensing of a liquid contained in a flexible bag, said apparatus including

5 a chamber adapted to contain the flexible bag containing the liquid;

an outlet from the chamber adapted to receive an outlet conduit communicating with the interior of the flexible bag;

a source of gas arranged to apply pressure to at least part of the exterior walls of the flexible bag; and

10 a pressure regulator arranged to control the pressure applied to said exterior walls, whereby pressure applied to said exterior walls causes liquid to be dispensed from the flexible bag through the outlet conduit at a controlled rate.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

15 the chamber is a substantially gas-tight chamber;

the outlet from the chamber is adapted to seal the outlet conduit to the chamber; and

the source of gas is arranged to supply gas under pressure to the interior of the chamber, thereby applying pressure to the exterior walls of the flexible bag.

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3. The apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the pressure regulator is arranged to regulate flow of gas from the source of gas to the chamber.